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Abertillery Urban District Council.

COUNCILLORS.

Chairman	-	-	-	S. T. BUTLER.
Vice-Chairman	-	-	-	R. BAKER.

WARDS.

Cwmtillery.

G. R. SHINGLER, J.P.
E. G. BARNETT.
J. J. THOMAS.
J. J. OWEN.
W. R. JOHN
R. BAKER 7/12/60

Abertillery.

S. R. HARRIS.
V. G. MORRIS.
W. E. J. DERRICK.
Resigned Dec. 1960
Mrs. F. J. BROWN, M.B.E., J.P.
W. J. ADAMS.

Six Bells.

H. S. SNELGROVE.
B. EVANS.

Aberbeeg.

J. R. CLARKE.
I. POPE, B.E.M., J.P.
A. J. SAUNDERS.

Llanhilleth.

W. H. JONES.
S. T. BUTLER.

**Day of Meeting—Last Monday in each Month,
at 6 p.m.**

Clerk of the Council	-	-	J. EVANS, SOLICITOR. Appointed 2/6/60
Surveyor and Water Engineer	-	-	R. H. EKE, M.I.MUN.E.
Accountant and Treasurer	-	-	R. L. ENGLAND.
Rating, Valuation Officer } and Housing Manager }	-	-	H. P. BREWER, F.R.V.A.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

The Committee consists of all Members of the Council.

Councillor E. G. BARNETT, Chairman.

**Day of Meeting—First Monday
in each Month.**

Medical Officer of Health - J. WALTERS BOWEN,
M.B., B.CH., B.SC., D.P.H.

Senior Public Health Inspector - G. A. PARRY, A.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

Public Health Inspector - - D. G. GRIFFITHS, M.A.P.H.I.

Public Health Inspector - - G. PERRY, A.R.S.M.

Rodent Officer - - - L. JONES.

Clerk - - - S. E. B. SHORT.

Abertillery Urban District Council.

Area of District	..	..	..	..	..	6464 acres
Rateable Value, December 31, 1959	..	..	..	..	..	£162,867
Net Product of 1d. Rate, 1959	..	..	..	..	..	£581
Population (Estimated Mid 1959)	..	..	..	..	..	26,450
Population (Estimated Mid 1960)	..	..	..	..	..	26,330
Birth Rate per 1,000 Population, 1959	..	..	..	..	..	15.8
Birth Rate per 1,000 Population, 1960	..	..	..	..	..	16.0
Live Births, 1959	..	..	..	..	..	428
Live Births, 1960	..	..	..	..	..	429
Number of Deaths, 1959	..	..	..	..	..	316
Death Rate per 1,000 Population, 1959..	..	..	..	..	..	11.9
Number of Deaths, 1960	..	..	..	..	..	331
Death Rate per 1,000 Population 1960	..	..	..	..	..	12.5

Abertillery Urban District Council.

R E P O R T

OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH TO THE URBAN
DISTRICT COUNCIL OF ABERTILLERY FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1960.

*To the Chairman and Members of
Abertillery Urban District Council.*

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Abertillery Urban District is situated in the Western Valleys of Monmouthshire, 13 miles north-west of Newport, and 20 miles south-west of Monmouth.

Its greatest length, north to south is $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles, while it varies in breadth, east to west, from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles. It has an area of $10\frac{1}{4}$ square miles, being one of the largest Urban Districts in the County. The population is 26,330, and the rateable value is £162,867.

The estimated product of a penny rate is £531.

The Urban Area is divided into 5 wards:

Ward 1. Llanhilleth—This includes that part of Llanhilleth south-east of the Nant-Cuffin, with the portions of Crumlin and Hafodyrynys which are within the district. Members on Council, 2. Area, 894 acres. Electors, 2,499.

Ward 2. Aberbeeg—Comprises Aberbeeg and that portion of Llanhilleth N.W. of the Nant Cuffin. Members on Council, 3. Area, 927 acres. Electors, 2,617.

Ward 3. Six Bells—Comprises Warm Turn, Six Bells, and that portion of Abertillery south of Cwm Road and the Vivian Pit. Members on Council, 2. Area, 1,092 acres. Electors, 2,778.

Ward 4. Abertillery—Comprises the township of Abertillery, with the exception of the portions included in Wards 3 and 5. Members on Council, 5. Area, 1,151 acres. Electors, 4,193.

Ward 5. Cwmtillery—Consists of Cwmtillery with Penybont, Blaenau Gwent, and Brynteg. Members on Council, 6. Area: 2,400 acres. Electors, 5,497.

Births.

	1960	1959	1958	1957	1956
Number of Births	.. 429	428	428	436	457
Birth Rate per 1,000—					
Abertillery ..	.. 16.0	15.8	16.1	16.4	17.0
England and Wales ..	16.4	16.3	16.4	15.1	15.5
Small Towns	.. 15.3	15.4	15.2	15.3	15.7

The number of births registered locally during 1960 was 429 of which 76 were males and 74 females.

The number of births registered outside the district but belonging to the district was 279 of which 148 were males and 131 females.

The Grand total being 429.

Males .. 224.

Females .. 205.

The Registrar General's return of births is 429. Of this number, 224 were males and 205 females.

The number of legitimate births was 219 males and 196 females.

The total number of illegitimate births from the Registrar General's return is 14 (5 males, 9 females).

Causes of Death.

TABLE II.

<i>Causes of Death.</i> ALL CAUSES					M. 199	F. 117
1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory					
2.	Tuberculosis, other					
3.	Syphilitic disease					
4.	Diphtheria					
5.	Whooping Cough					
6.	Meniagococcal infections.. .. .					
7.	Acute Poliomyelitis					
8.	Measles					
9.	Other infective and parasitic diseases					
10.	Malignant neoplasm, stomach					
11.	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus					
12.	Malignant neoplasm, breast					
13.	Malignant neoplasm, uterus					
14.	Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms					
15.	Leukaemia, aleukaemia					
16.	Diabetes					
17.	Vascular lesions of nervous system					
18.	Coronary disease, angina					
19.	Hypertension with heart disease					
20.	Other heart disease					
21.	Other circulatory disease.. .. .					
22.	Influenza					
23.	Pneumonia					
24.	Bronchitis					
25.	Other diseases of respiratory system					
26.	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum					
27.	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea					
28.	Nephritis and nephrosis					
29.	Hyperplasia of prostate					
30.	Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion					
31.	Congenital malformations					
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases					
34.	Motor vehicle accidents					
35.	Suicides					
36.	Homicides and operations of war					
37.	All other Accidents					
Deaths in infants under 1 year of age :					7	7
Legitimate					6	7
Illegitimate					1	—
TOTAL BIRTHS					224	205
Legitimate					219	196
Illegitimate					5	9
STILL BIRTHS					8	4
Legitimate					8	4
Illegitimate					—	—
TOTAL					8	4

Estimated population 1960 for birth and death rates, 26,330.

TABLE III.

<i>Month</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Quarterly Births</i>
January ..	12	5	17	47
February ..	6	9	15	
March ..	8	7	15	
April	6	8	14	
May	6	7	13	31
June	2	2	4	
July	9	8	17	
August ..	5	4	9	
September ..	6	5	11	37
October ..	7	3	10	
November ..	4	7	11	
December ..	5	9	14	
<i>Total</i> ..	76	74	150	150
Inward Transferable Births ..	148	131	279	
Grand Total for 1960 ..	224	205	429	

Showing the number of births registered in the Abertillery Urban Area during 1960, according to sex, month, and quarter of occurrence, together with inward transferable births.

TABLE IV. Showing the infant deaths (*i.e.*, deaths in infants under 1 year of age) assigned to this district during 1960, by cause and in age groups.

<i>Cause of Death</i>	<i>Under 1 week</i>	<i>1—2 weeks</i>	<i>2—3 weeks</i>	<i>3—4 weeks</i>	<i>Total under 1 month</i>	<i>1—3 months</i>	<i>3—6 months</i>	<i>6—9 months</i>	<i>9—12 months</i>	<i>Total deaths under 1 year</i>
Prematurity ..	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Congenital Malformation ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Acute Bronchitis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pneumonia ..	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
Atelectasis ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other Respiratory Diseases ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other Causes ..	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—

TABLE V.

Analysis of Infectious Diseases in this District during 1960. Showing Age/Sex distribution of the cases of Infectious Diseases notified in the District in 1960 also showing Admission of same to Hospital.

Disease	Under 1 year						1-		2-		3-		4-		5-		10-		15-		20-		35-		45-		65 years and upwards				All Ages				Admitted to Hospital	
	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f				
Scarlet Fever	
Diphtheria	
Measles	
Whooping Cough	
Acute Poliomyelitis	
Meningococcal Infection	
Dysentary	
Erysipelas	
Food Poisoning (Suspected)	
Pneumonia	
Meningitis	

There were 28 inquests during the year.

The circumstances of the deaths are analysed and are as follows :—

			<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Total</i>
Nephritis	..	..	1	—	1
Bronchial Pneumonia	..	..	2	—	2
Coronary Occlusion	..	..	1	—	1
Fracture of Skull (mining)	..	..	2	—	2
Accidental Death	..	..	4	1	5
Pneumoconiosis	..	..	6	—	6
Heart Disease	..	..	3	—	3
Sub Arachnoid Haemorrhage	..	..	2	1	3
Thrombosis	..	..	1	—	1
Suicide	..	..	4	—	4
Total	..		26	2	28

Colliery Disaster Explosion 28th June, 1960.

			<i>Male</i>	<i>Total</i>
Fracture of Skull	..	..	13	13
Laceration of Scalp	..	..	5	5
Severe Burns	..	..	2	2
Carbon Monoxide Poisoning	..	..	25	25
Total	..		45	45

Inquest held on the 15th of February, 1961.

Zymotic Diseases.

Table No. V shows the notifiable diseases which were notified in the area during 1960.

Diphtheria.

No cases of Diphtheria were notified during the year.

The immunisation of the pre-school child is now carried out at the Infant Welfare Centres by the various medical officers in attendance. Parents too may make private arrangements with their own general practitioner for such immunisation. To attain the maximum degree of protection by immunisation it is advisable that booster doses should be given when the child first attends school.

Scarlet Fever.

6 cases of Scarlet Fever were notified during the year.

Measles.

1 case of Measles was notified during the year.

Whooping Cough.

24 cases were notified during the year.

Poliomyelitis.

The Poliomyelitis vaccination campaign which commenced in 1957 has been accepted by the general public wholeheartedly and the turn up at the Clinics for this has been truly amazing, especially for evening sessions.

Poliomyelitis Vaccination Figures 1960.

<u>1st Injection</u>		<u>2nd Injection</u>
1,914		1,552
	<u>3rd Injection</u>	
	3,847	

Notification of Poliomyelitis

(over last 5 years)

1956	1957	1958	1959	1960
—	18	nil	1	nil

TABLE VI.

Showing Monthly notification of Tuberculosis (all forms) for the year 1900.

<i>Month</i>	PULMONARY		NON-PULMONARY		TOTAL
	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	
January ..	1	—	—	—	1
February	1	—	—	—	1
March ..	—	—	—	—	—
April ..	—	—	—	—	—
May ..	1	—	—	—	1
June ..	—	—	—	—	—
July ..	—	—	—	—	—
August ..	1	—	—	—	1
September	1	—	—	—	1
October ..	—	—	—	—	—
November	2	—	1	—	3
December	2	—	—	—	2
	9	—	1	—	10

TABLE VII.

Year	Yearly Notification of Tuberculosis.				Total Yearly Cases of Pulmonary and Non-Pulmonary T.B.	Deaths from Tuberculosis				Total Yearly Deaths from Tuberculosis
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary			Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		
	Males	Females	Males	Females		Males	Females	Males	Females	
1952	14	9	4	3	28	7	3	2	1	13
1953	12	15	4	2	33	2	2	1	—	5
1954	12	5	—	—	21	7	3	—	—	10
1955	16	11	1	—	22	1	5	—	—	6
1956	10	6	—	—	22	2	—	—	—	2
1957	16	7	1	2	20	3	—	—	—	3
1958	10	5	1	—	12	1	—	—	—	1
1959	4	4	1	—	9	2	2	—	—	4
1960	9	—	1	—	10	—	—	—	—	—

TABLE VIII. Showing the admissions and discharges to institutions for the treatment of Tuberculosis during 1960.

<i>Institution</i>	<i>Admissions</i>		<i>Discharges</i>	
	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>
South Wales Sanatorium, Talgarth ...	2	—	4	—
Sully ...	2	1	1	1
Cefn Mably...	2	—	1	2
Glan Ely ...	1	—	2	—
Gelli-Gaer ...	2	1	3	—
	9	2	11	3

All cases of suspected Tuberculosis are seen at the Chest Clinic run by the Regional Hospital Board.

Meteorological Records.

SUMMARY OF DAILY RECORDS TAKEN AT NEW CEMETERY AND THE PARK, 1960.

<i>Month</i>	<i>The Park</i>		<i>New Cemetery</i>		
	<i>Inches</i>	<i>Rain Days</i>	<i>Sunshine</i>	<i>Temperature</i>	
			<i>Hours</i>	<i>Highest</i>	<i>Lowest</i>
January ..	7.26	19	11.00	52.0	23.0
February ..	6.45	19	22.20	55.0	18.0
March ..	3.94	13	30.50	60.0	29.0
April ..	4.33	14	63.20	65.5	26.8
May ..	2.64	9	54.30	71.0	32.0
June ..	2.60	14	86.00	79.3	36.7
July ..	6.44	24	54.30	70.0	44.0
August ..	6.86	22	57.20	78.0	37.0
September ..	8.41	19	46.10	69.5	35.0
October ..	11.61	20	31.10	60.5	27.0
November ..	11.81	28	16.10	56.6	23.4
December ..	8.80	25	10.20	53.0	23.0

Total inches for year, 81.15 Rain days, 226.

Total hours of Sunshine, 482 hrs., 40 mins.

Highest Temperature for Year, 79.3° F.

Lowest Temperature for Year, 18.0° F.

COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF HOUSE AND TRADE REFUSE 1960.

The following report was kindly supplied by the Engineer and Surveyor, REGINALD H. EKE, Esq., M.I.MUN.E.

The collection of Refuse in the Urban Area is carried out with Diesel and Petrol-Driven Vehicles with covered bodies of semi-circular type so as to prevent, as far as possible, dust being blown about while the lorries are travelling.

Collections are made twice weekly, also collection of Trade Refuse from the Business Premises.

Disposal is by the "Controlled Tipping" method, by which the refuse is laid to plan, properly consolidated, and the areas later used to provide facilities for recreation. The Council have formed Sports Grounds at Rose Heyworth Road for the Abertillery Grammar School, and the Ground, when completed by the School Authority will include a Football Field, Hockey Pitch, Cricket Pitch and Tennis Courts.

Other Grounds completed are at the Walpole Field, Llanhilleth, Woodland Field, Cwmtillery, a Children's Playground and a Recreation Ground at Aberbeeg, and another Recreation Ground is being formed at Brynithel. Considerable interest is being shewn in these activities by neighbouring Authorities, and several Councils have sent their Representatives to view the progress and method of the work.

THE ABERTILLERY & DISTRICT WATER BOARD.

The Engineer to the Board, PERCY BEARD, Esq., A.M.INST.C.E., A.M.INST.W.E., has supplied the following particulars.

The total rainfall for 1960, at Grwyne Fawr Reservoir, Breconshire, was 86.71 inches as compared with 66.53 inches in 1959, and 64.03 inches in 1958.

During 1960, the highest monthly rainfall recorded was 16.30 inches in October and the lowest was 2.18 inches in May.

The highest daily rainfall recorded was 3.05 inches on the 24th October. Rain fell on 240 days at the Reservoir during 1960.

The mains and service pipes in the Board's district are continually tested and inspected for leakages and many repairs are carried out to fractured pipes.

The Board's Llanover Pumping Treatment Plant since it has been commissioned has made good the deficiencies which existed in some areas under normal conditions and has proved an invaluable source of supply in times of drought. Treated Llanover water passed to supply during 1960:— 183,115,000 gallons.

Pit-Head Baths.

Pit-head baths are now established in connection with the Rose Heyworth, Cwmtillery, Llanhilleth and Arael Griffin Collieries.

These establishments are working satisfactorily and are proving a great boon to those engaged in the industry.

Swimming Baths.

There is one swimming bath in this area situated in the Park at Abertillery, and controlled by the Abertillery U.D.C.

This is an open-air bath, which was originally constructed in 1900, and measured 90 feet x 30 feet, with 88,594 gallons capacity. The bath was modernised in 1936 at a cost of £3,000, providing a bath 92 feet x 43 feet, with 125,000 gallons capacity. The special filtration plant is capable of "turning the water over" in six hours. There are 20 cubicles for men and 13 for women, with provision for sun-bathing on concrete promenades.

1. Date of Construction	1900—Modernised 1936.
2. Open-air or Covered	Open-air.
3. Cost of Construction	Modernisation £3,000.
4. Capacity :	
(a) Dimensions	92ft. x 43ft.
(b) Gallonage to fill	125,000.
(c) Number of bathers provided for	33 Cubicles.
5. Method of Purification	Filtration and Chlorinisation Plant.

- | | | |
|-----|---|--|
| 6. | How often changed | Six-hourly periods of "turn over" |
| 7. | Source of Water Supply. | Local. |
| | (a) If local, estimated flow | (a) 30/60 gallons per minute according to season from adjacent stream. |
| | (b) If purchased, cost per 1,000 gallons. | (b) Mains supply. |
| | | (a) Annual easement for water right. |
| | | (b) 2/- per 1,000 gallons. |
| 8. | Laundry facilities (if any) | None. |
| 9. | Number of cubicles | 33. |
| 10. | Any other dressing accommodation provided | None. |
| 11. | Number of Staff engaged | One to Two. |
| 12. | Duration of open period | April to September. |

In conclusion, I wish to thank the Public Health Inspectors and other Departments of the Council for their willing co-operation during the year.

Yours obediently,

J. WALTERS BOWEN,

Medical Officer of Health.

Abertillery
Urban District Council.

Senior Public Health Inspector's

R E P O R T

For the Year
1960

Public Health Department,
Council Offices,
Alexandra Road,
Abertillery, Mon.

The following is my report on work carried out by the Department
for the year ending December 31st, 1960.

Defective and insufficient water supply	4
Miscellaneous nuisances	75
Defective ceilings	43
Defective walls (internal)	54
Defective floors	24
Defective waste pipes	17

Many and varied were the nuisances discovered. In some cases the owners and occupiers were interviewed and the nuisances abated at once, and in other cases legal notices were served.

Foods.

MILK SUPPLY.

Number of persons registered under the Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1950.

Number on Register in 1960	13
Licensed to sell Pasteurised Milk	9
Licensed to sell Sterilised Milk	10
Licensed to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk	9

Supplementary Licences to sell—

Sterilised Milk	3
Pasteurised Milk	3
T.T. Milk	0

The number of inspections made last year was 31 and Vehicles 33
From 1st January, 1960, the issue of licences to sell graded milks was taken over by the Monmouthshire County Council.

ICE CREAM.

Number of premises registered during the year	7
Number of premises registered	96
Number of registered persons producing	—
Number of inspections of premises and vehicles	70

SLAUGHTERHOUSE, HAFODARTHEN ROAD, LLANHILLETH, ABERTILLERY.
CARCASE AND OFFAL INSPECTED.

	Steers and Heifers	Cows and Bulls	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Ewes and Rams	Pigs	Sows and Boars
No. Killed	96	—	7	797	—	253	—
No. Inspected	96	—	7	797	—	253	—
All Diseases except Tuberculosis and Cystercerci— Whole carcase condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	11 10.41%	—	—	8 1.00%	—	1 .40%	—
Tuberculosis only— Whole carcase condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	1 1.04%	—	—	—	—	3 1.15%	—
Cystercercosis— Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	1	—	—	—	—	—	—

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

The following particulars show the amount of attention given to securing a wholesome supply of food.

Visits to Premises :—

Fish, fruit and vegetable shops	..	..	..	..	90
Meat shops	..	..	..	..	209
Fried fish and chip shops	..	..	..	..	36
Bakehouses	..	..	..	..	38
Premises registered for the preparation of food	..				157
Other premises where food is prepared, sold or stored	..				192
Cafes and Hotels	..	..	..	..	16

STORES AND VEHICLES.

Attention is being given to the cleanliness of vehicles, wrappers, etc., used for bringing meat into the district and for conveying meat to the shops, and the conditions are satisfactory.

The men who handle such meat are compelled to wear clean overalls.

There is no public abattoir but there is one private slaughter-house which is used regularly.

FRIED FISH AND CHIP SHOPS.

There are 11 registered shops in the area which are kept in a satisfactory condition.

36 inspections of these premises were carried out.

OTHER FOODS.

Meat, fish and fruit shops are regularly visited, and the food exposed for sale or stored is examined.

Pork butchers' premises, where sausage meat and small goods are prepared, receive great and constant attention.

Bakehouses are regularly inspected, and the sanitary conditions are noted and dealt with as required.

No case of food poisoning was notified in the district during 1960.

The Sale of Food and Drugs Act is administered by the Monmouthshire County Council.

Summary of Foodstuffs Condemned, 1960

<i>No.</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Weight</i>
238 tins	Tomatoes	
323 „	Fruit	
193 „	Peas	
138 „	Soup	
138 „	Beans	
113 „	Milk	
7 „	Sausage and Beans	
19 „	Carrots	
5 „	Bournvita	
14 „	Cream	
5 „	Spaghetti	
27 „	Rice	
101 „	Fish	
2 „	Sausages	
15 „	Fruit Juices	
10 „	Nescafe	
3 „	Ham and Beef	
6 „	Steak	
3 „	Steak and Kidney	
14 „	Steak and Onions	
7 „	Spam	
1 „	Casserole Meat	
1 „	Lambs Tongue	
29 „	Miscellaneous	
62 „	Pork	127 lbs.
92 „	Pork Luncheon Meat	91 lbs.
4 „	Minced Pork	3 lbs.
3 „	Pork Roll	11 lbs.
51 „	Ham	437 lbs.
16 „	Chopped Ham	10 lbs.
11 „	Ham and Tongue	5 lbs.
2 „	Ham and Pork	2 lbs.
5 „	Hamburger	5 lbs.
13 „	Minced Beef Loaf	10 lbs.
92 tins	Corned Beef	183 lbs.
23 „	Beef	27 lbs.
1 „	Chopped Beef	1 lb.
8 „	Beef and Vegetable	8 lbs.
20 „	Luncheon Meat	12 lbs.
31 „	Stewed Steak	9 lbs.
19 „	Tongue	44 lbs.
1 „	Du'ch Homburg	11 lbs.
15 „	Jellied Veal	120 lbs.
7 „	Chicken	21 lbs.

Summary of Foodstuffs Condemned—contd.

<i>No.</i>		<i>Details</i>				<i>Weight</i>
2 jars	Onions	..	..	..	..
2 „	Jam	..	..	..	..
PACKED FOOD.						
10 pkts.	Cereals	..	..	..	..
5 „	Egg Rusks	..	..	..	..
2 „	Marzipan	..	..	..	..
1 „	Puff Pastry	..	..	..	..
1 „	Sprouts	..	..	..	..
1 „	Biscuits	..	..	..	..
104 „	Fish	..	..	..	..
UNPACKED FOOD.						
	5 Sponges	..	..	..	..
	Beef Fat	..	..	..	..	20 lbs.
	Lard	..	..	..	..	28 lbs.
	Salt	..	..	..	..	1 lb.
	Cheese	..	..	..	..	22 lbs.
	4 Pies	..	..	..	..
	Cured Haddock	..	..	..	..	14 lbs.
MEAT.						
	Chickens	..	..	..	..	27 lbs.
	Uncooked Ham	..	..	..	..	54 lbs.
	Uncooked Beef	..	..	..	..	14 lbs.
	Pressed Beef	..	..	..	..	116 lbs.
	Kidneys	..	..	..	..	4 lbs.
	Lamb	..	..	..	..	43 lbs.
	Chitte-lings	..	..	..	..	56 lbs.
	Ox Liver	..	..	..	..	46 lbs.
	Lambs Liver	..	..	..	..	6 lbs.
	Lambs Liver	..	..	..	..	3
	Flitch Bacon	..	..	..	..	11 lbs.
	Lamb Chops	..	..	..	..	1 lb.
	Goose	..	..	..	..	7 lbs.
	Sausage	..	..	..	..	7 lbs.
	Bovine Lungs	..	..	..	..	6 sets.
	Sheeps' Lungs	..	..	..	..	1 set.
	Pigs' Heads	..	..	..	..	3
	Bovine Heads	..	..	..	..	1
	Sheeps' Liver	..	..	..	..	1
	Pigs Livers	..	..	..	..	1
	Bovine Heart	1

Housing.

Number of new houses erected during the year :—

Total	8
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1. Inspection of Dwelling houses during the year:—

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts	172
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(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ..	508
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(2) (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-heading (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925-1957	71
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(b) Number of inspections made for that purpose ..	149
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(3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious as to be unfit for human habitation	25
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(4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under previous sub-headings) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	147
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2. Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notice —

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers	78
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3. Action under Statutory Powers during the Year.

(a) Proceedings under sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1957.

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	nil
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(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :—

(a) By owners	nil
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(b) By local authority in default of owners	nil
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HOUSING—cont.

(b)	Proceedings under Public Health Acts:—	
(1)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	88
(2)	Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :—	
(a)	By owners	44
(b)	By local authority in default of owners	18
(c)	Proceedings under Sections 16 (1–4), 17 (1), 19, 21, 23 and 35 (1) (2) Housing Act, 1957,	
(1)	Number of representations made to the Local Authority in respect of unfit dwelling-houses ..	10
(2)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which demolition Orders were made	nil
(3)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which closing orders were made	nil
(4)	Number of dwelling-houses closed in pursuance of Closing Orders	nil
(5)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Closing Orders were revoked	nil
(d)	Proceedings under Section 18 & 27 of the Housing Act, 1957:—	
(1)	Number of representations made to the local authority in respect of parts of dwelling-houses or underground rooms	3
(2)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of parts of which Closing Orders were made	nil

House Purchase & Housing Act, 1959.

As and from the 1st of November, 1960, the Department became responsible for the control and approval of the Standard Grants under the above Act.

61 Inspections and 13 re-inspections were made in connection with these grants during the remaining two months of the year.

8 Applications were formally approved by the Council.

Housing, 1960.

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF HOUSES OWNED BY
ABERTILLERY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL AT 31/12/60

	<i>Temp. Pre-fabs</i>	<i>Perm. Pre-fabs</i>	<i>Traditional (Including requisitioned Property)</i>	TOTAL
*No of houses owned by Local Authority on 31/12/60 (including Flats)	100	300	450	850
No. of houses in course of erection on 31/12/60 ...	—	—	126	126
No. of houses for which sanction had been given, but which had not been commenced on 31/12/60 ..	—	—	—	—
†By Local Authority	—	—	nil	nil
†By Private Enterprise	—	—	8	8
TOTAL	—	—	8	8

*Showing the number of Houses owned by Abertillery Urban District Council at 31/12/60.

†Showing the number of Houses erected by the Abertillery Urban District Council and by Private Enterprise during 1960.

REGISTERED FACTORIES.

Factories without Mechanical Power :—

Boot repairers	1
Carpentry and Joinery	3
Radio and Electrical repairs.. .. .	1
Total	5

Factories with Mechanical Power :—

Bake-houses	4
Brewers	1
Motor repairers	10
Mortar Mills	2
Carpentry and Joinery	6
Undertakers	2
Sausage and Cooked Meats.. .. .	13
Dressmaking	1
Industrial Gloves	1
Wagon repairers	1
Iron Foundries	1
Gas Storage — Motor Repairs	1
Printing Works	3
Manufacturing Chemists	1
Lampshade Making	1
Dairies	1
Watch repairers	1
Cable Repairs	1
Omnibus maintenance and repair	2
Slaughterhouses	1
Works of Engineering and Building Construction	9
Total	63

Mon. County Council Act, 1956.

Registration of Hairdressers and Barbers.

During the year 30 premises were registered.

Section 79.

Summary powers to remedy stopped drainage

No. of notices served — 24

Executed in default — 24

Factory Act, 1937.

1. Inspection for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

<i>Premises</i>	<i>Number on Register</i>	<i>Number of</i>		<i>Occupier Prosecuted</i>
		<i>Inspections</i>	<i>Written Notices</i>	
(1) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 enforced by Local Authority ..	5	28	—	—
(2) Factories not inc. in (1) to which Section 7 is enforced by the local Authority	54	55	—	—
(3) Other premises under the Act (excluding outworkers' premises) ..	9	9	—	—
TOTAL	68	92	—	—

2.—DEFECTS FOUND IN FACTORIES.

<i>Particulars</i>	<i>Number of Defects</i>			<i>Number of Prosecutions</i>
	<i>Found</i>	<i>Remedied</i>	<i>Referred by H.M. Insp.</i>	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	3	3	—	—
Want of ventilation (S.4)	—	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2)	—	—	—	—
Want of drainage of floors (S.6)	—	—	—	—
Sanitary accommodation { insufficient	—	—	—	—
{ unsuitable or defective	—	—	—	—
{ not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—
Other offences (not including offences relating to Outwork)	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	3	3	—	—

V.	Number of infested properties (in Sect. IV) treated by the Local Authority (Figures should not exceed those given at Sect. IV.)	...	...	...	1	386	19	406	—
VI.	Total treatments carried out including re-treatments (To be completed only if figures are readily available)				—	—	—	—	—
VII.	Number of notices served under Section 4 of the Act :—				—	—	—	—	—
	(a) Treatment	...	...	...	—	—	—	—	—
	(b) Structural Works (i.e. Proofing)	...	...	...	—	31	1	32	—
VIII.	Number of cases in which default action was taken following the issue of a notice under Section 4 of the Act.	...	...	...	—	—	—	—	—
IX.	Legal Proceedings	...	...	...	—	—	—	—	—
X.	Number of "block" control schemes carried out...				—	6	—	6	—

In conclusion, I wish to thank all Departments of the Council for their willing co-operation during the year.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

G. A. PARRY,
Senior Inspector.



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